**Identifying Plagiarism**

Plagiarism is when you use someone else’s words, ideas, data, or facts without acknowledging your source and giving credit.

When you use sources, you need to either

1. Paraphrase them (rewrite them in your own words), or
2. Put quotation marks around the words you borrowed.

You must also use an in-text citation to mark where the idea came from! See your Citation Format handout for more information on how to do this.

**Is it plagiarism?**

Directions: Decide if the following situations constitute plagiarism. Write “yes or “no.” If you’re not sure, write “not sure.”

1. Copying or sharing assignments? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. Failing to cite a commonly known source, like wikipedia? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. Failing to cite a statistic? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. Paraphrasing material that you find in books, magazines, or websites without an in-text citation? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. Asking another student to write a paper for you? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6. Copying material from another source, citing the material in your bibliography, but leaving out an in-text citation? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7. Listing works in your bibliography that you have not used or read? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8. Mixing the words of an author with your own without documentation? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9. Borrowing a friend’s vocabulary assignment, but changing all the names in the example sentences? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. Copy and pasting text from the web into a PowerPoint presentation without citation? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

11. Grabbing a totally awesome picture for the title slide of your presentation, without telling where you found the picture? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Detecting Plagiarism**

Below are an original source followed by quotes and paraphrases of the original source. Write **plagiarized** by any example of plagiarism, and write **okay** if it is written correctly.

**MLA Citation:**

Krenkle, Cory M. “Soccer’s New Status.” *School Sports News* 2 Feb. 2007. Print.

**Original Source Material:**

“Soccer is quickly gaining popularity in America. More schools continue to add soccer to their list of competitive varsity sports. In fact, most high schools that offer varsity soccer have a feeder program in the elementary and intermediate grades so that players come to the sport with a good number of skills and knowledge of the rules of the game.”

1. Soccer is being offered as a varsity sport at an increasing number of American high schools. In order to have better-prepared varsity participants, these school districts offer soccer programs to teach the basics to their students in grades 1 through 8 (Krenkle 16). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Most high schools that offer varsity soccer have a feeder program in the elementary and intermediate grades so that players come to the sport with a good number of skills and knowledge of the rules of the game (Krenkle 16). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. “Soccer is quickly gaining popularity in America. More schools continue to add soccer to their list of competitive varsity sports” (Krenkle). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. In American schools today it is more common to see soccer offered as a high school varsity sport. To better prepare their students, these school districts frequently present their students in grades 1 through 8 with the opportunity to learn soccer basics. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Soccer has become a popular sport in America, with more schools adding soccer to their list of competitive varsity sports. The majority of high schools offering varsity soccer have feeder programs in the earlier grades to teach young players basic skills and the rules of the game (Krenkle 16). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_